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YALE'S PRESIDENT
ON COLLEGE SPORTSDr. Hadley Discusses Pres-
ent Tendency of Athletics.

VICTORY ALL IMPORTANT

Great Temptations to Sacrifice Every-
thing in Order to Win Victories.
Net Influence Is Good.

In a highly interesting letter to the editor of the "Illustrated Sporting News," President Hadley, of Yale, discusses present-day college athletics.

In view of the fact that President Hadley has followed athletics closely since his inauguration, his opinion is especially valuable. The letter follows:

"The idea that victory is the essential thing, independent of the means by which it is obtained, is one of the greatest dangers which menace the United States at the present day. Whatever you can do to combat that idea in athletics or anywhere else renders an invaluable public service.

Victory Means Too Much.

"The greater the prize in any contest, the greater will be the temptation to sacrifice other things to victory. The widespread interest in college athletics makes it hard to see that it is not a mistake to insist that the students shall have higher standards in their dealings with one another in their play than the graduates and the outside public have in their dealings with one another in their business. Nevertheless, I am inclined to think that the net influence of inter-collegiate athletics is good. We make a great mistake if we assume that inter-collegiate contests create the evils of which we complain. They simply hold them up to public view. If the evils thus made manifest remain unrebuked and unremedied, the indirect effect of this publicity is bad. If they are condemned by that part of the public for whose opinion the average college student most cares, the effect of the publicity and the ensuing condemnation is good. Here is where the work of a paper like yours can be very effective.

"I confess I have no great faith in many of the suggestions or rules which are proposed to remedy the evils. They are like attempts to cure a disease by repressing its symptoms. They seldom do real good; they often do positive harm. Take, for instance, the suggestion that we should prohibit professional trainers. If my boy were to run in the quarter mile I want to have him as much as possible under the eye of a man who understands the operation and effect of quarter-mile running more fully than his family physician naturally can do. If you give him the alternative of risking damage to himself or keeping out of the competition with his fellows merely because the public will take too much interest in his adviser in case he should be fortunate enough to engage in an intercollegiate contest, it seems to me that you are sacrificing a great deal for the sake of accomplishing very little. It is all very well to say that only graduate coaches; but the only universities that can be sure of commanding the services of unpaid graduate coaches for different branches of athletics are those which are situated in large cities. This places a discrimination against the country colleges which, for one, should be quite unwilling to see established.

Should Not Write.

"I wish very much that I felt able to comply with your request to write an article on the subject, but I do not see how I can do it. I am sure I do not feel clear enough in my own mind as to many details, but still more because I believe that it is a mistake for college presidents to write articles on athletics. Every such article, however well meant, seems to me to countenance the idea that athletics occupy a larger place in the American university horizon than is the case at Yale, and than I believe to be the case at Harvard. By countenancing this false view they increase the very evils which they are trying to reduce. While I do not agree with many of the suggestions of the Christian Scientists, I think that there is a great deal of practical truth in their idea that the best way to diminish certain diseases is to remove the mental attention to some other point; and I honestly believe that the greatest service which college presidents and faculties can render is to encourage the students, the graduates, and the public to think as much as possible about other things.

"I appreciate so fully the objects you have in view and the ways in which you are getting at them that I want to give you all help in my power; and if it will be of any service to you, I will put the things which I have said, as quotations from a personal letter, I should be quite ready to trust your discretion in this matter."

AMERICAN LEAGUE
STRONGER ON THIRD

According to Patsy Donovan, the Senators' manager, who took in the games between the Pittsburgh and Cleveland teams, there is one place where the American League has the National beaten in the matter of fast, clever players, and that is at third base, says the "Sporting News."

Patsy paid a fine tribute to Tommy Leach when he said that outside of the little Pirates there is not what he called a first-class guardian of the third base in the National, whereas in the American there are at least five first-class men in that position.

Donovan pointed to the work shown by Bradley in the post-season series as a fair sample of the third base work put up in the American. He points to Collins, of Boston; Conroy, of New York; Cross, of Philadelphia; Coughlin, of Detroit; and Tannehill, of Chicago, as being past masters in the work of third base, and also states that by reason of these men being stars in their positions it is much harder to get away with the ball in the American than it is in the National. In support of this he pointed out that the Pirates tried to do little bunting in the post-season series because Bradley was too fast for such attempts.

Georgetown's Outlook
On Track and WaterBlue and Gray Athletes Commence Work
Tomorrow—Seitz Looks Good in Sprints.
Many Experienced Oarsmen Eligible.

After an interim of over a month since the closing of the gridiron season athletics will be revived at Georgetown tomorrow, when the candidates for the field and track and crew will report for their first regular practice. Following the success that has attended graduate coaching since its introduction in baseball and football, it has been decided to have the system in field and track, and Dr. Reilly, last year's captain, has been elected as coach. He will have full charge of the squad and will make a special effort to develop young runners. It has now been eight years since the Blue and Gray had an outdoor meet and the result has been that immediately after the indoor games in Convention Hall practically every member of the squad who is not a star has dropped out and left Duffey, Holland, Reilly, and other stars to represent the university at the big outdoor meets.

Stars a Detriment.

While these men won fame both for themselves and the university, or other colleges, it was at a detriment to the track interests. There have been many men, who, had they been at other colleges, would have been encouraged and developed, but they were not in the championship class, and as a result they would not continue running against world-beaters.

Another reason for the lack of interest in field and track athletics has been that there were no inducements for a mediocre sprinter to run at dual, inter-class, or inter-departmental meets. If sets of games were arranged with the Naval Academy, North Carolina, or other institutions in this vicinity, they would bring out a large number of candidates who would be good enough for third or fourth place in their respective events, and thereby score as many points as the actual winners.

Seitz Did Not Linger.

The graduation of Arthur Duffey took away by far the best sprinter on the whole team. At the Pastime Athletic Club meet in Madison Square Garden, New Year Eve Charles Seitz, 1905, as he is known, won the sixty-yard dash and equaling the record of 8.2 seconds, which was made twenty-two years ago by Lou Myers. What was even more creditable for the Georgetown man was that instead of going simply sixty yards he was set back one yard behind scratch and he won the sixty-yard dash, which would smash the old record.

As this was an Amateur Athletic Union event the starter and timers were the best obtainable, and there is no chance of the governing body refusing to accept the record made by Seitz. The remarkable showing by the Georgetown man places him among the speediest men in the country, and he is now receiving numerous invitations to run at Eastern meets during the winter season.

Two-Man Nucleus.

Of the varsity relay team of last year Captain McCarthy and Mulligan are the two men whom Graduate Coach Reilly will have as a nucleus around which to build it. They will be a hard job to find among the other candidates any runners who are as fast as these two, but as there is a large number of quarter-milers in the university, the coach will make an effort to develop some of these.

McGilligan, the varsity football and baseball player, made his debut last winter as a runner and won the 400-yard race at the Georgetown indoor meet. Then there is Yoder, who was a substitute two years ago. Wilson, from Hyde Park High School, Chicago, and Watson, who formerly ran under the Olympian Athletic Club colors, are both freshmen who will be out for the team, as will Brennan, Lorando, and Ewing, all members of last year's squad. For the past few seasons there has been little interest in field events, but in Curran, Heffernan, and Orme the Blue and Gray has three good shot-putters, with Neill, a newcomer at the sport, who should do well.

At Fordham Games.

The first indoor meet in which the field and track team will compete will be the Fordham College games in New York, on February 21. Then will come the Georgetown meet the following week, and then the annual Boston Athletic Association games. On March 18 a delegation will be sent to the Columbia meet in Madison Square Garden. Besides these there will be Georgetown meets in the University City, and in Baltimore in February and March. Manager Graham, of the track team, commenced sending out the entry blanks for the Georgetown meet yesterday. There will be the usual field and track events, with relay races as the feature of the carnival.

Crew on Rowing Machines.

The long grid of the candidates for the varsity crews will commence tomorrow afternoon on the rowing machines in the crew room in the college. If the number of veteran oarsmen at hand can be taken as a criterion, the crew outlook is bright. There are in the university at present no less than eleven men who have won their G's for taking part in the Poughkeepsie races, besides a number of oarsmen who rowed in the Severn races against the Navy eights. The removing of the university boat-house early last summer because it occupied the public wharfage at the foot of Thirty-second Street, has left the rowing association without a house. A house has been promised upon condition that the association buy the site on which to rebuild. Considerable money has already been raised by Director of Aquatics Zappone and his henchmen, but there is not enough to warrant the going ahead with the plans for the new structure. A suitable piece of property, and as soon as the necessary funds are in the treasury the place will be bought and building operations will commence at once.

Committee to Meet.

The committee on the boat-house site will be called together shortly and consider means for raising money. This committee is composed exclusively of alumni, and the members are hopeful

that they can get the fund together in time for a building to be erected so that the crews can be taken out on the river as soon in the spring as the weather permits.

The interclass regatta early in the fall was held from the Potomac boat-house, and the Blue and Gray shells are still at that place.

Vin Bremner, who was re-elected captain immediately after the big regatta last June, is the only member of the eight who did not return this year. He was one of the very best oarsmen ever developed at Georgetown, and it will be no easy task to fill the seat left vacant by his not coming back. Shanley, the stroke; Wade, No. 6; Ham, No. 5; Canario, No. 4; Mudd, No. 3; Hayden, No. 2, and Captain Graham, bow, are all available this season.

Two of Four Missing.

Atkinson, No. 2, and Shepard, bow, are the missing men of the four, but both of these were exceptionally good for their weight, and both rowed in the crew of the previous year, which finished ahead of Pennsylvania, Syracuse, Wisconsin, and Columbia on the Hudson. Linahan and Seitz are the two members of the four-oared crew who are eligible this season. Besides these experienced men there is Curran, No. 6, and Shriver, the coxswain of the 1903 eight.

From now until the middle of March the practice of the candidates for the crew will consist of daily rows in squads on the machines in the basement of College Hall.

Work in Shells.

As soon as the weather is favorable Coach Dempsey will divide the squad into eights and begin the real work in the shells. So far as the number of experienced oarsmen goes, Georgetown was more than at the beginning of any season since 1902, when it was rated there, but just of what caliber the new candidates will be cannot be told until the whole squad is at work for some time on the machines.

Manager Gelpi has not yet arranged the date for the races with the Annapolis crews, but they will be some Saturday early in May.

Baseball Squad.

The candidates for the baseball team will not be called out by Graduate Coach Apperly until about the first week in March. Several of the best men on last year's team will be missing next spring, but there is considerable new material which can probably be developed. The pitching staff lost heavily and it will be necessary to bring around a number of twirlers if the team is to be strong.

The team of last year started out well, but after Cromley was found out to be a professional and afterward deserted the university, the nine became demoralized and did not finish the season as well as was expected.

The football captain for next fall has not been elected, but a meeting will probably be held shortly to choose a leader. All G men will have a vote, but it is not known who will be elected.

Brooklyn Captured

Jackson Handicap

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 7.—The feature was the Jackson Day Handicap, at one and one-half miles. It was captured by Brooklyn, the favorite, at 6 to 5. Weather clear and cold. Track still heavy. Summaries:

First race—Four-year-olds and up; selling; seven furlongs. Trepan, 12 to 1; Poseur, 1 to 2; second, Kleinwood, 1 to 1.3; third, Time, 1:29.3. Lord Frenchy, Washington, Condor, Jim Hale, Fritzbrillar, Circus Girl, and Mamselle also ran.

Second race—Three and one-half furlongs. Miss Colette, 7 to 1; Pinta, 12 to 1; second, Lady Tarascon, 4 to 1; third, Time, 0:41.3. Craft, Ash Wednesday, Mrs. Frank Debeque, Show Down, Anodyne, Maripessa, Carrie Graham, Inspector Girl, and Little Rose also ran.

Third race—Six furlongs. Trapper, 3 to 5; won; Invincible, 11 to 5; second, Mayoy Johnson, 4 to 1; third, Time, 1:14.4.5. Knowledge, Tom Shelly, Abella, and Malsier also ran.

Fourth race—One mile. Handicap; \$1,000 added; one and one-half furlongs. Brooklyn, 6 to 5; won; Garnish, 11 to 5; second, Lady Pousa, 10 to 1; third, Time, 2:28.4. Revellie, Mac Hanlon, and Aladdin also ran.

Fifth race—Seven furlongs; selling. Tammany, 7 to 5; won; Montebank, 7 to 1; second; Trossachs, 8 to 1; third, Time, 1:29.2.5. Rachel Ward, George Perry, Lord of the Valley, and Little Boy, Hakim, and Conxio also ran.

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JOCKEY OF YEAR?Hildebrand Had Most of
Winning Mounts.

REDFERN SECOND ON CHART

Lynne Was Most Consistent Performer,
But Fell Down in Champagne
Stakes—Nineteen-Year Record.

Just about now there is a lot of mystery regarding the leading jockeys of 1904, and much capital is made out of the fact that Hildebrand heads the list with 164 wins in 748 races.

What of it? Even though one earnest inquirer states that "this total of mounts nearly approaches that of the elder Reiff in 1886, whose record is the largest for this country."

If jockey riding is an endurance competition, well and good. If it is a matter of skill and strategy, it is a very different matter. A jockey might ride 10,000 mounts, but it is, or should be, the percentage of his winning mounts and the type of work done which should make him the first, or the last, jockey of the year.

Public Charts.

According to the standard shown in public charts of the metropolitan track records, Hildebrand stands first with the wins quoted above; Redfern is second, with 73 wins in 406 mounts; Martin comes third, with 72 wins in 363 mounts; O'Neill is fourth, with 71 wins in 316 mounts; Crimmins is fifth, with 54 wins in 451 mounts, and Burns is sixth, with 54 wins in 451 mounts.

That is all very well so far as it goes, but the average racing man gives little credit to such figures. He ranks them correctly by percentage—and other things. By percentage O'Neill, with 22 per cent, stands first; Lynne, with 22 per cent, is second; Hildebrand, with 21 per cent, is third; Redfern, with 19 per cent, is fourth; J. Martin, with 19 per cent, is fifth, and W. Davis, with 19 per cent, is sixth. Rather a change, yet how many people know it?

Percentages Compared.

When these percentages are compared with those of a few years ago, what becomes of our modern kings of tin? "Hav'nd had the 'headlin' and 'piled' out and nausum' all the summer, on the basis that 'the best is the best anywhere.' Our 'best' has been a pretty poor sample. In 1896 Reiff rode 6.2 races with 46 per cent of winners; Sloan in 1898 rode 204 mounts with 44 per cent of winners; Maher, before going to England, 29 mounts and 30 per cent winners; Martin in 1893 had 34 per cent winners; Isaac Murphy in his prime had 33, and what, pray, were the salaries compared with those of today?

Where would these boys have been against such masters of the art as Sloan, Maher, and Reiff? The boys are losing in analyzing the record or consecutive losing mounts. In Sloan's good showing, the year before going to England, and catching that never-to-be-sufficiently-regretted attack of megalomania, he rode 44 per cent of winners in some 29 mounts, and his longest run of consecutive losers was ten.

Hildebrand's Strings.

Last season of 1904, Hildebrand rode strings of 11, 8, 10, 9, 11, 15, 17, 12, 8 and 8, all losers, in a being a very odd record, the 17 coming from Teacup, September 10, to Spring, September 15, O'Neill had losing runs of 12 and 11; Redfern had 14, 11, 15, 11; J. Martin had 10, 12, 16, 12, 8 and 7, the latter at Brooklyn, while Davis had 8 and then 11, this being a very odd record, the 11 in the South, who went North to be heralded as a second Sloan.

As to Burns (who a racing paper stated, was "the most consistent jockey of the year"), riding for prominent stables and acknowledged to be clever, when he wishes to be, his percentage was barely 11, and his runs of consecutive losers were 7 at Jamaica, 18 at Brighton Beach, 24 at Saratoga, 23 at Sheepshead, 19 at Brooklyn and 24 at Morris Park. Yet he will be surprised if he no one comes along with a \$10,000 offer for 1905. If such a price is paid, on what basis will it be estimated?

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the finish, what is to be said? He had the entire course to choose from. It was the first time the filly had mud thrown at her, and yet this undoubtedly clever boy blundered to the rail, blind as a bat. Let other rides, which might be recalled, lie still buried. Yet, looking at the string of his record, with every win and every loss showing clearly at a glance, what a pity, what a pity! Is it any wonder he, also, is open to contract.

Phillips Tenth.

Take the other end of the list, where stands H. Phillips, tenth, with 11 per cent, the same as Burns. He went North with a palpitating record which threatened to make all the older boys hide their heads in eclipse. For long weeks he somehow or other had long strings of admirers who predicted that he would "wake up," and then we would see. He rode 20 losers at Jamaica, 18 at Morris Park, and then sailed into a perfect nightmare, starting at Coney Island, of which, in 51 races, his only winner was Slight, and, after that horse won with him—or he won with the horse—he had 23 more consecutive losers, to win with Pulsus, September 12.

All of this is simple history repeating itself. In 1903 the maximum losing string of Redfern was 23 from July 6 to July 14, and last year, that of 1903, he was supposed to earn \$35,000! For what? Riding winners? Does it seem possible?

O'Neill in 1903 was earning \$20 a month galloping horses. Dick Stecken recommended him to Tom Hayes, who said: "That 65-pound boy cannot gallop a horse." He had his chance, made good, and, six months later, was riding in the West, to come East and have his employer, sitting up nights because he did not want the boy to have a losing mount." That was the second week in April.

Rode Thirteen Losers.

The first week in June he rode thirteen losers, then fourteen, and then fifteen losers in succession. Burns in 1905 had 17 per cent of winners, yet he rode a string of forty-two consecutive losers from June 6 to June 26. This being while he was riding for the Whitney stable, and the usual plea of "did not get the mounts" fell with a clatter to the ground.

It is a puzzle to see prominent owners year after year paying enormous prices to boys who, so far as the public can see, do not deliver the "goods." If winning mount percentage is any index to that fact, why the high salaries for a 22 per cent boy? Is a question which might with advantage be pressed to an owner in several cases, especially when one sees August Belmont, with others to be named, content with a moderate priced lad.

Keene Wants Crimmins.

The latest rumor is that James R. Keene wants Crimmins and has offered \$10,000 for him, presumably under the advice of his experienced trainer, James Rowe. In the season just closed Crimmins had many bad strings, and while he may be excused somewhat by reason of the quality of some of his mounts, the thirty-seven consecutive losers from the well-known "ecclesiastic" Crimmins, Ascleto, August 2, is rather a stretch for a \$10,000 bid in 1905. Crimmins made 14 per cent of winners last season, which is a good record, but \$10,000 and "perks"? What is the Presidential salary?

Records of winning jockeys for the past nineteen years follows:

Year.	Jockey.	Won.	Miss.	Ave.
1887	Garrison	112	286	.400
1887	McLaughlin	119	405	.394
1888	Barnes	206	628	.329
1889	Barnes	170	661	.257
1890	Barnes	173	784	.220
1891	Penny	197	773	.253
1892	Penny	197	778	.253
1893	Stimms	183	671	.274
1894	Stimms	228	683	.331
1895	Perkins	192	762	.252
1896	Reiff	204	648	.315
1897	H. Martin	173	846	.205
1898	T. Burns	277	973	.285
1899	T. Burns	273	1064	.257
1900	Mitchell	182	854	.213
1901	O'Connor	253	1047	.241
1902	Ransch	246	1081	.228
1903	Walker	229	931	.246
1904	Hildebrand	288	1280	.225

INAUGURAL HANDICAP
OPENS HOT SPRINGS

Bill Curtis Took Big Event at 3 to 1.

Cantle was Second and Jack Young Third.

HOT SPRINGS, Ark., Jan. 7.—The winter running meet at Essex Park track opened today. Weather clear and cool; track fast. The event of the day was the Hot Springs Inaugural, at a mile, \$2,500 guaranteed. It was won by Bill Curtis at 3 to 1. Summaries:

First race—Three furlongs. Unnamed, 6 to 1; won; Parvo, 5 to 1; second; Fath, 3 to 2; third, Time, 0:27.4.

Second race—Six furlongs. Buttons, 3 to 1; won; Wild Irishman, 7 to 1; second; Arctia, 9 to 1; third, Time, 1:18.4.

Third race—Five and one-half furlongs. Massa, 5 to 1; won; Platoon, 20 to 1; second; Esterre, 6 to 1; third, Time, 1:57.5.

Fourth race—Hot Springs Inaugural; \$2,500; one mile. Bill Curtis, 3 to 1; won; Cantle, 7 to 2; second; Jack Young, third, Time, 1:41.

Fifth race—One mile and seventy yards; selling. Balkin, 2 to 5; won; Florist, 15 to 1; second; Ethics, 5 to 1; third, Time, 1:45.6.

Sixth race—One and one-eighth miles; selling. Payne, 1 to 2; won; Excelsior, 3 to 1; second; Glenwood, 15 to 1; third, Time, 1:54.

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STRONGEST TEAMS
FOR MILWAUKEENo Favoritism in Selecting
Local Bowlers.

PROSPECTS SEEM BRIGHT

President Livingston Believes That
Washington's Representatives Will
Make Good Showing at Congress.

Local bowlers are greatly wrought up over the reports which have been circulated in certain quarters in which favoritism is charged in the selection of the teams to represent Washington at the coming tournament of the American Bowling Congress at Milwaukee.

When the officers of the city association began to make an effort to raise funds to meet the expenses of the men who are to be sent to the Milwaukee tournament disgruntled bowlers spread the report that the ones named to make the trip were not the most representative bowlers available, but that the teams were being sent as a reward for their work during the season.

Favoritism Denied.

In speaking to a Times man last evening President George Livingston of the Departmental League said:

"It is hard to understand just how such reports could have been circulated. The charges of favoritism are too untrue to call for a denial. The men who will be chosen to represent Washington in the coming tournament of the Congress will be the ones who, in the judgment of the city association, are the best fitted for the honor. Last year our men reflected great credit upon the city they represented and when the question of sending teams to the tournament this year was brought up it was the unanimous opinion that the quality of bowling here this winter was as good or